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SUBJECT: BULGARIAN CULTURAL PROGRAM NEGOTIATIONS

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1. EMBASSY HAS STUDIED EU DRAFT CAREFULLY AND COMPARED IT TO COMMENTS IN RICHMOND/CARLSON 8/4 OI AND TO FINAL VERSION OF COUNTRY PLAN DATED AUGUST 197 WE APPRECIATE ICA EFFORT AND SUGGEST FOLLOWING CHANGES ONLY IN LIGHT OF EXPERIENCE WITH 77/78 PROGRAM AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMMING HERE. HEREWITH FOLLOWS EMBASSY REVISION OF SEVERAL ARTICLES WITH EMBASSY COMMENTS IN PARENTHESES AND CP PROJECT NUMBERS PROVIDED.

2. ARTICLE I/1: THE PARTIES WILL EXCHANGE EACH YEAR AT LEAST SEVEN INTERNATIONAL VISITORS AND SPECIALISTS ON EACH SIDE FOR PERIODS OF THREE TO SIX WEEKS FOR PROFESSIONAL OBSERVATIMUND CONSULTATION IN FIELDS SUCH AS THE ARTS, EDUCATION, GOVERNMENT, AGRICULTURE, THE INFORMATION MEDIA, CULTURE, SCIENCE AND SPORTS. THE FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION WILL BE AGREED BY THE PARTIES. (COMMENT: AGRICULTURE ADDED.) (BU-EO4, 06 15, 07)

ARTICLE I/2: THE PARTIES WILL EXCHANGE EACH YEAR TWO UNIVERSITY
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LECTURERS FROM EACH SIDE IN THE CIVILIZATION, LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE OF THEIR COUNTRIES FOR A FULL ACADEMIC YEAR. IHIS UNDERSTOOD THAT ONE AMERICAN PROFESSOR WILL TEACH IN VELIKO TUROVO UNIVERSITY, AND THE OTHER IN SOFIA UNIVERSITY. (COMMENT: EMBASSY PLACES GREAT IMPORTANCE ON ESTABLISHING A TEACHING POSITION AT SOFIA UNIVERSITY, NATION'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS AND DEVELOPED INSTITUTION, IF THIS CAN BE DONE. WE WOULD NOT EXPECT

PROGRAM TO EXPAND BEYOND THESE TWO LECTURES.) (BU-E01)

ARTICLE I/3: EACH PARTY WILL PROVIDE ONE, FIVE-MONTH RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP FOR RESEARCH SCHOLARS FROM THE OTHER COUNTRY IN FIELDS TO BE MUTUALLY AGREED UPON. SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE DETERMINED IN EACH CASE. (COMMENT: CORRECTING DRAFT SO SCHOLARSHIP IS CLEARLY PROVIDED BY RECEIVING COUNTRY.) (BU-E08)

ARTICLE I/4: (REMAINS AS DRAFTED) (BU-E10)

ARTICLE I/5: EACH PARTY WILL PROVIDE ONE RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP EACH YEAR FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE MONTHS FOR STUDY IN THE OTHER COUNTRY IN THE FIELDS XITS ART AND CULTURE. SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE DETERMINED IN EACH CASE. (COMMENT: EMBASSY FAVORS FIRM COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIP IN THIS FIELD, AND SO HAS CHANGED "WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PROVIDE" TO "WILL PROVIDE." AGAIN CLARIFYING TEST SO THAT SCHOLARSHIP IS PROVIDED BY RECEIVING COUNTRY.) (BU-E09)

ARTICLE I/6: EACH PARTY WILL PROVIDE ONE, FIVE-MONTH RESEARCH/ TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP EACH YEAR FOR AGRICULTURAL SPECIALISTS FROM THE OTHER COUNTRY TO STUDY AND OBSERVE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD. SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE DETERMINED IN EACH CASE. (COMMENT: INCLUDED TO ACCOMMODATE CP PROJECT BU-E12 AND ICA/EU SUGGESTIONS.)

ARTICLE I/7: THE PARTIES AGREE TO EXCHANGE VISITS DURING THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COURSE OF THE AGREEMENT TWO TO THREE MEMBERS EACH OF THE DIMITROV COMMUNIST YOUTH COUNCIL LEADERSHIP AND THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF YOUNG POLITICAL LEADERS IN GDER TO PROVIDE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE POLITICAL SYSTEMS OF EACH COUNTRY. (COMMENT: THIS PROJECT HAS HIGH EMBASSY INTEREST.) (BU-E02)

ARTICLE I/8: THE PARTIES AGREE TO THE HOLDING IN BULGARIAN OF A SEMINAR RELATED TO LABOR PRACTICE AND THEORY WITH THE U.S. SIDE PROVIDING THREE TO FOUR APPROPRIATE EXPERTS TO ACCOMMODATE A SPECIFIC THEME AGREED TO BY THE PARTIES. (COMMENT: THIS MUST GE GENERAL ENOUGH TO ALLOW FOR LATER SELECTION OF TOPIC, KD SHOULD BE CLEARD WITH IKE GOLDEN, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.) (BU-T04)

ARTICLE I/9: THE PARTIES AGREE TO A RECIPROCAL EXCHANGE OF ONE SPORTS COACH FROM EACH SIDE FOR THREE WEEKS DURING THE PERIOD OF THE AGREEMENT, WITH SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS TO BE DETERMINED IN EACH CASE. (BU-E13)

ARTICLE I/10: (REMAINS SAME AS I/6 IN DRAFT.)

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ARTICLE I/11: (REMAINS SAME AS I/7 IN DRAFT.)

ARTICLE II/1, 2, 3: (SAME)

ARTICLE III/1: THE PARTIES WILL FACILITATE THE EXCHANGE OF TWO
MAJOR EXHIBITS FROM EACH SIDE DURING THE PJVD OF THE PROGRAM...
(REMAINDER SAME AS DRAFT.) (COMMENT: THIS INCORPORATES THE
EMBASSY'S PLAN FOR A MAJOR FINE ARTS EXHIBITION, AS WELL AS
THE SIE EXHIBIT.) (BU-T01 AND BU-T02)

ARTICLE III/2: THE PARTIES WILL ALSO ENCOURAGE THE EXCHANGE
OF OTHER EXHIBITIONS BETWEEN MUSEUMS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS
OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. (COMMENT: DELETING THE WORD
"OFFICIAL".)

ARTICLE III/3 AND 4: (REMAIN AS DRAFTED.)

ARTICLE IV/17: (REMAIN AS DRAFTED.)

ARTICLE V/1: (REMAINS AS DRAFTED.)

ARTICLE V/2: RE PARA 1, REF. A, WE SUGGEST DAILY STIPEND OF
30 LEVA.

ARTICLE V/E: FOR THE EXCHANGES SPECIFIED IN ARTILE I,
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PARAGRAPHS 2, 3, 4, 5, AND 6, THE RECEIVING SIDE WILL PROVIDE

AN APPROPRIATE STIPEND, TO BE DETERMINED IN ADVANCE ACCORDING TO THE ACADEMIC RANK AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PARTICIPANTS; EACH SIDE WILL PROVIDE FREE HOUSING OR A STIPEND SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE COSTS OF HOUSING AND RELATED EXPENSES.

ARTICLE V/4: (REMAINS SAME AS V/4 IN DRAFT.)

ARTICLE V/5: THE CONDITIONS GOVERNING DIRECT EXCHANGES BETWEEN UNIVERSITIES, RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONS, SPECIFIED IN ARTICLE I, PARAGRAPH 7, WILL BE ESTABLISHED BY THE PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS.

ARTICLE V/6: (REMAINS SAME AS V/6 OF DRAFT.)

3. ABOVE REVISED DRAFT REFLECTS EMBASSY EXPERIENCE THAT ITEMS NOT SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN AGREED PROGRAM WILL LATER BE RESISTED BY BULGARIAN ADMINISTRATORS.

4. IS EMBASSY CORRECT IN BELIEVING THAT SCHOLARSHIPS MENTIONED IN ARTICLE I, PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 5 ARE TO BE PROVIDED BY RECEIVING SIDE?

5. IN EU DRAFT, ARTICLE I/T MENTIONS THAT SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE DETERMINED IN EACH CASE, WHILE ARTICLE I/3 MAKES NO MENTION OF THIS POINT. WE HAVE ALSO INCLUDED THAT PHRASE IN SEVERAL OTHER ARTICLES, BUT QUESTION ITS NECESSITY ANYWHERE.

6. DOES ICA EXPERIENCE INDICATE IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO INCLUDE ARTICLE CALLING FOR REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION AFTER ONE YEAR?

7. APPRECIATE ICA COMMENTS.

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